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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: VISIT OF ALGERIAN OFFICIAL TO SOUTH YEMEN

1. AFTER EVENTS OF LAST WEEK WHICH CARRIED AWAY PRESIDENTS OF BOTH SOUTH AND NORTH YEMEN IN THREE DAYS, THERE IS CONSIDERABLE INTEREST HERE IN NEW REGIME IN ADEN AND IN PARTICULAR WELLBEING OF ITS PARTY HEAD ABD AL-FATTAH ISMAIL. STORIES, OF COURSE, HAVE CIRCULATED ABOUT HIS DEATH. THERE ARE ALSO REPORTS THAT HE WAS BADLY WOUNDED.

2. ADEN RADIO CARRIES CONTINUOUS REPORTS OF MEETINGS CHAIRED BY ABD AL-FATTAH AND NOTED HE PERSONALLY RECEIVED DJAMAL HOUHOU, WHO ALLEGED TO BE PRESIDENT BOUMEDIENE'S ENVOY. HOU HOU WAS ALSO RECEIVED BY ALI NASIR MUHAMMAD.

3. I DO NOT KNOW WHETHER YOU CAN TAKE REQUEST BUT IT WOULD BE OF GREAT INTEREST TO THIS POST AND I THINK TO WASHINGTON AND JIDDA IF CONTACT WITH HOUHOU AND OTHER ALGERIAN OFFICIALS COULD BE MADE TO DETERMINE AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE ABOUT CASUALTIES AMONG RANKS OF LEFT-WINGERS, WHO SEEM TO BE NOW IN CONTROL IN ADEN, ABOUT COURSE OF FIGHTING BETWEEN TWO SIDES, ABOUT ALLEGATIONS OF

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CUBAN AND SOVIET INVOLVEMENT IN FIGHTING AND STATE OF SECURITY WITHIN COUNTRY AT MOMENT. OBVIOUSLY IT MAY BE IMPOSSIBLE TO RAISE ALL THESE SUBJECTS BUT INFORMATION ON ANY WOULD BE EAGERLY RECEIVED HERE.
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